

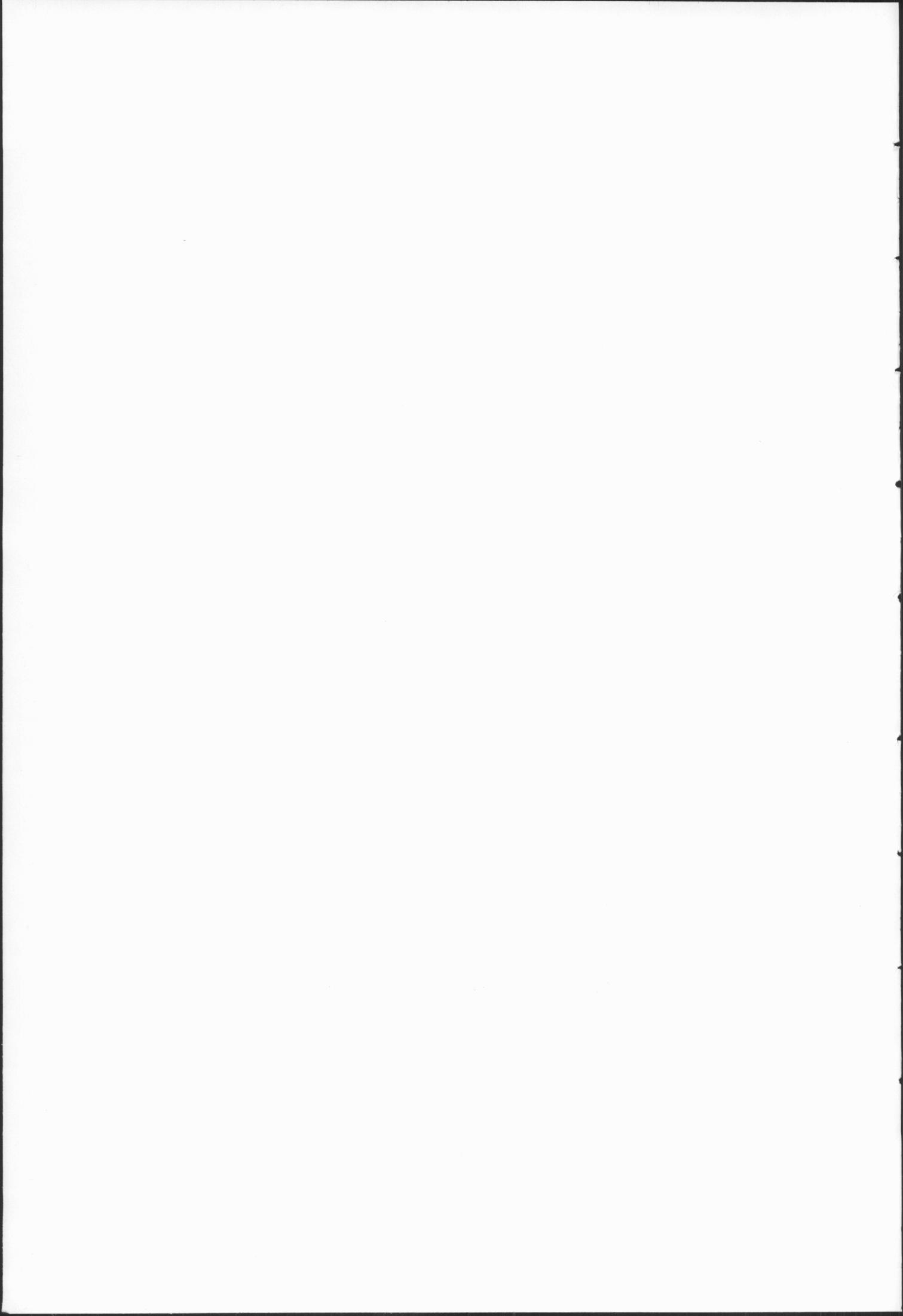
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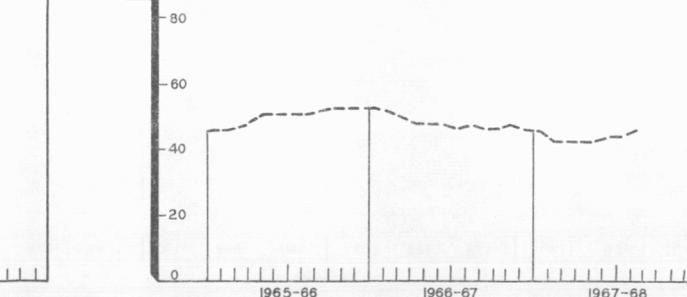
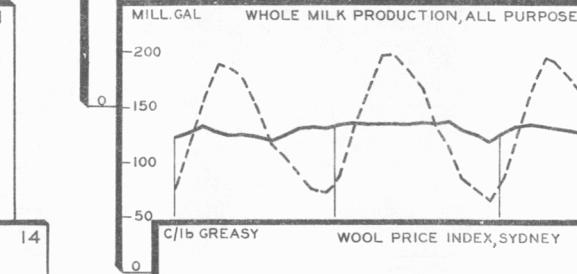
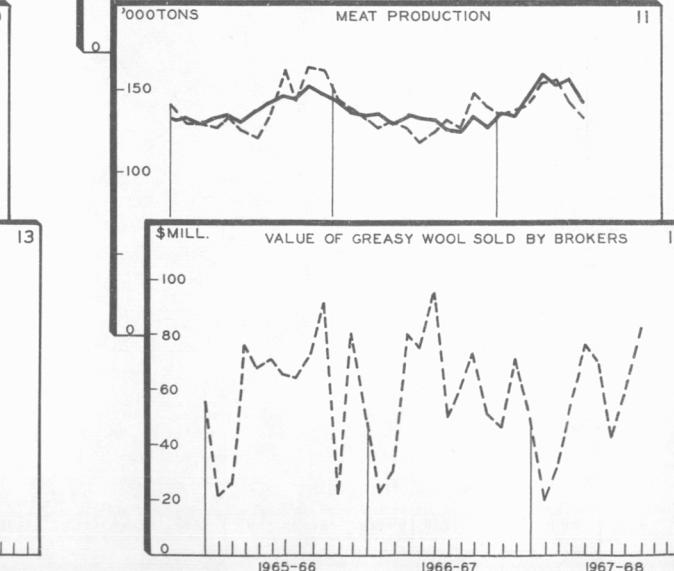
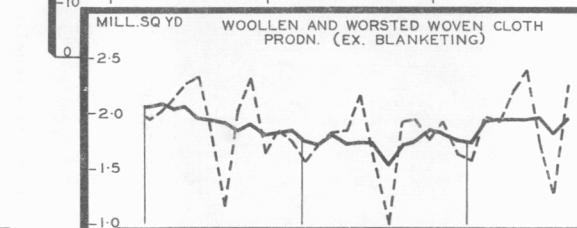
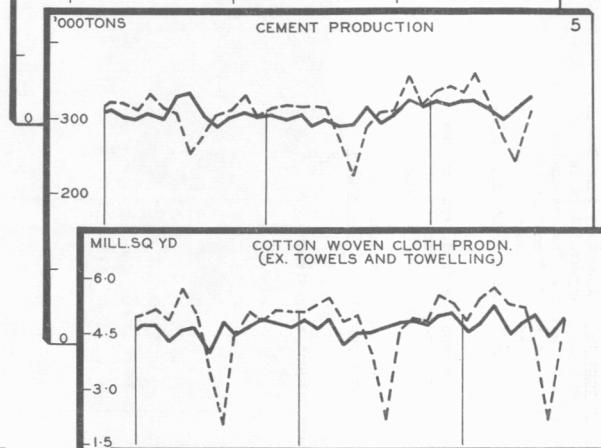
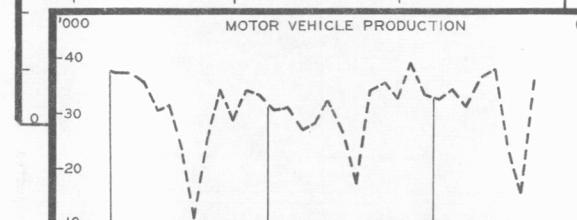
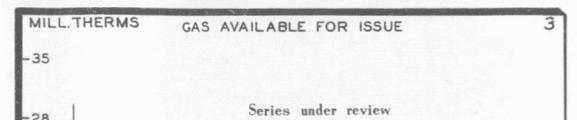
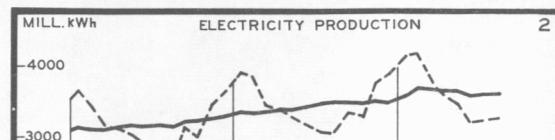
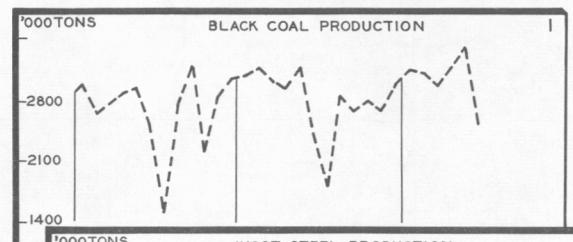
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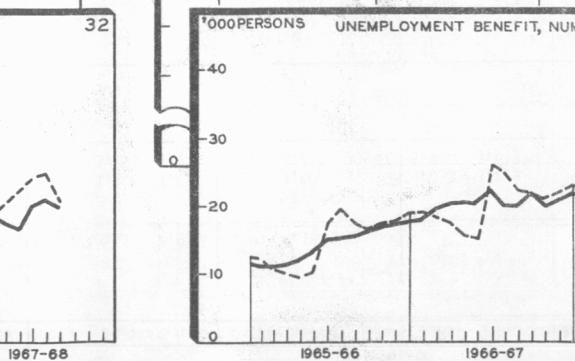
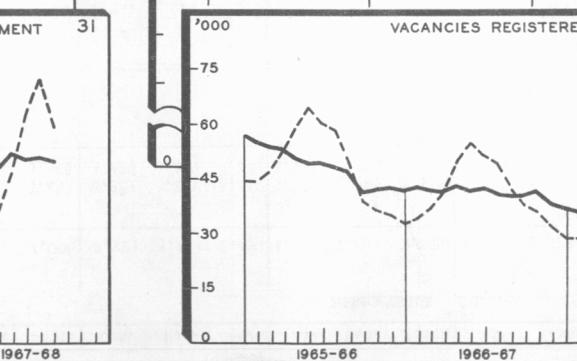
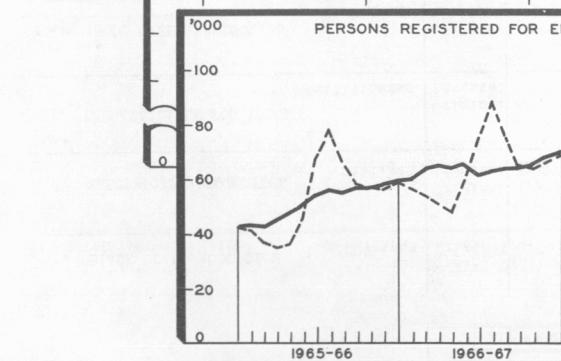
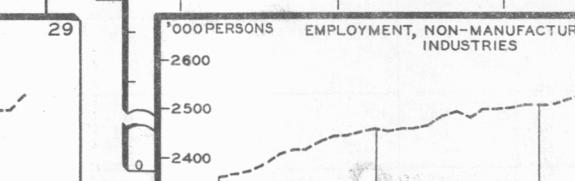
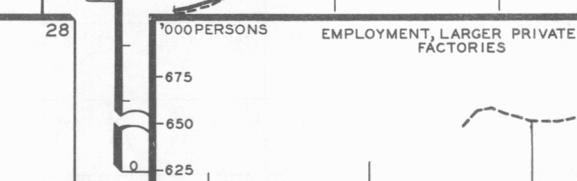
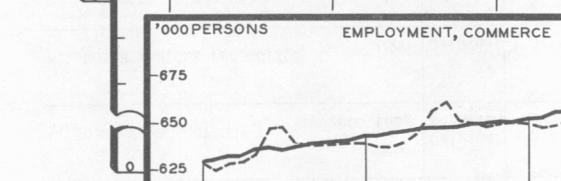
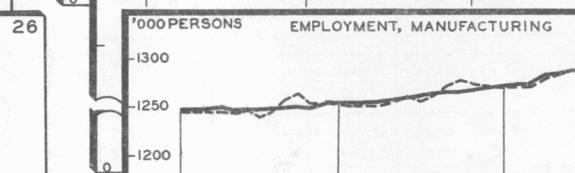
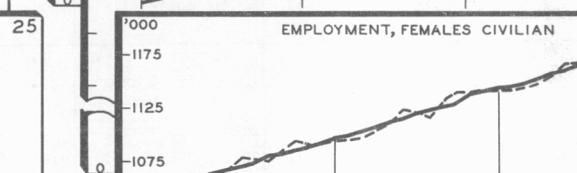
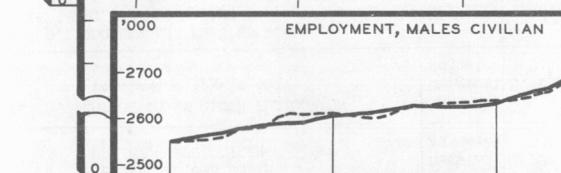
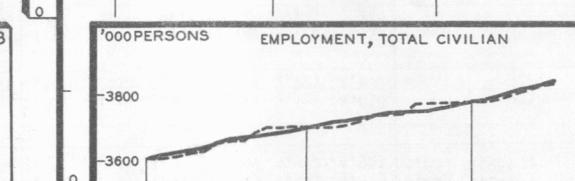
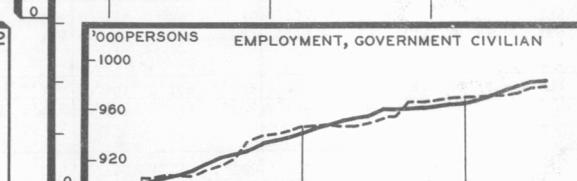
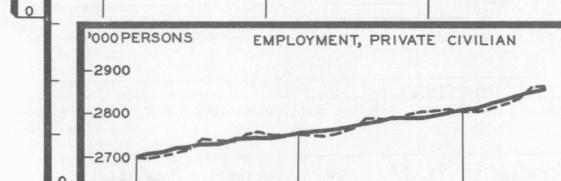
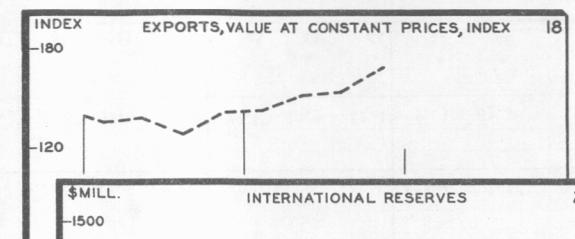
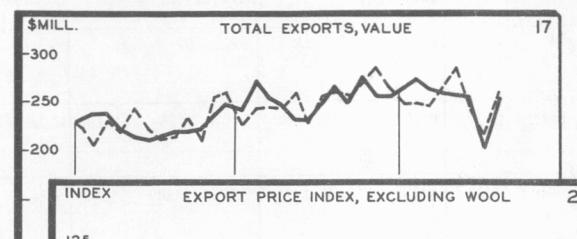
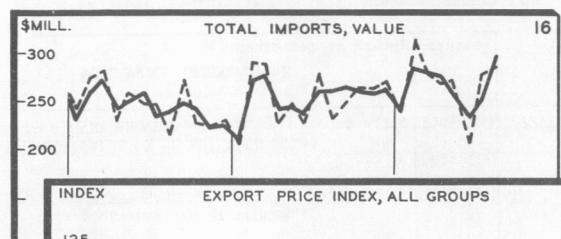
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PRODUCTION, ETC. (a)																												
1. BLACK COAL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original	3,065	3,152	3,008	2,923	3,163	2,490	1,803	2,841	2,655	2,799	3,422	2,953	3,142	3,111	2,938	3,159	3,388	2,500								
2. ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION	mill.kWh	Original Adjusted	3,923 3,397	3,848 3,384	3,453 3,395	3,387 3,428	3,276 3,427	3,162 3,463	3,077 3,501	3,065 3,509	3,335 3,507	3,306 3,494	3,793 3,515	3,879 3,510	4,175 3,605	4,202 3,705	3,755 3,700	3,607 3,623	3,508 3,669	3,210 3,567	3,233 3,620	3,279 3,619						
3. GAS AVAILABLE FOR ISSUE	mill.therms	Original Adjusted																										
4. INGOT STEEL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original	509	480	504	+	541	524	516	508	456	523	462	553	530	526	540	541	530	477	544	526	479					
5. CEMENT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original Adjusted	314 305	319 300	315 306	316 292	313 301	267 289	221 291	290 317	307 292	309 305	353 326	315 316	336 326	341 321	333 324	354 326	324 312	277 301	240 314	312 329						
6. MOTOR VEHICLE PRODUCTION	'000	Original	30.5	31.1	26.8	28.1	32.6	26.5	17.1	34.5	35.9	32.8	39.1	33.4	32.8	34.8	31.1	36.8	38.1	24.3	15.6	36.2						
7. ELECTRIC MOTORS UNDER ONE HP, PRODUCTION	'000	Original Adjusted	207 203	233 212	216 204	221 212	254 208	186 204	111 204	222 222	216 213	210 218	237 225	227 216	235 233	273 242	253 247	251 233	287 236	202 229	131 218	224 213						
8. COTTON WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION (excluding towels and towelling)	'000 sq yd	Original Adjusted	5,125 4,930	5,326 4,668	5,526 4,962	4,842 4,236	5,043 4,595	3,927 4,585	2,119 4,731	4,630 4,804	4,968 4,945	4,839 4,798	5,590 5,022	5,375 5,109	4,816 4,600	5,533 4,871	5,809 5,329	5,310 4,481	5,227 4,853	4,232 5,056	2,163 4,451	4,915 4,925						
9. WOOLLEN AND WORSTED WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION (excluding blanketing)	'000 sq yd	Original Adjusted	1,581 1,730	1,748 1,719	1,844 1,815	1,867 1,710	2,186 1,758	1,584 1,768	992 1,538	1,922 1,744	1,977 1,765	+	+	+	1,787 1,875	1,943 1,811	1,620 1,786	1,596 1,752	1,989 1,948	1,916 1,926	2,243 1,969	2,402 1,972	1,729 1,983	1,285 1,820	2,260 1,981			
10. BOOTS AND SHOES PRODUCTION	'000 pairs	Original Adjusted	2,499 2,359	3,038 2,411	2,917 2,389	2,728 2,381	2,733 2,349	1,904 2,442	1,108 2,170	2,219 2,455	2,328 2,410	2,282 2,448	2,703 2,534	2,543 2,576	2,807 2,661	3,310 2,602	3,026 2,559	3,114 2,617	3,151 2,721	2,038 2,699								
11. MEAT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original Adjusted	144 143	138 136	133 134	128 136	131 130	127 136	119 133	125 131	131 125	128 125	149 135	139 128	135 136	137 134	141 148	154 160	156 154	142 157	132 143							
12. WHOLE MILK PRODUCTION, ALL PURPOSES	mill.gal	Original Adjusted	89 133	131 135	165 135	198 135	198 135	184 133	168 137	130 135	116 137	85 129	73 125	65 119	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	155 125					
13. WOOL RECEIVED BY BROKERS, FIRST HAND	'000 bales	Original	231.5	502.9	789.5	782.5	627.3	348.2	192.7	278.4	361.3	299.4	239.6	160.0	282.8	542.8	736.2	790.4	667.5	324.4	179.4	297.7						
14. VALUE OF GREASY WOOL SOLD BY BROKERS	\$ mill.	Original	22.2	30.7	80.1	75.1	95.6	49.6	60.1	73.3	51.1	46.6	71.3	52.3	19.8	32.2	55.2	76.1	70.3	42.4	59.3	83.4						
15. WOOL PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY cents per lb greasy	Original		53	52	50	48	48	48	47	48	47	47	48	47	46	43	43	43	43	*	*	*	44	*	46			

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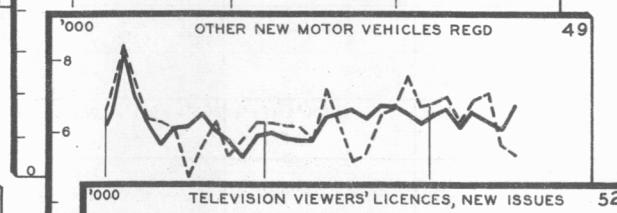
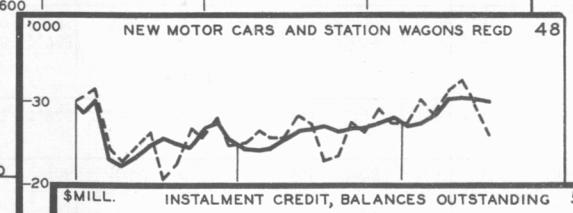
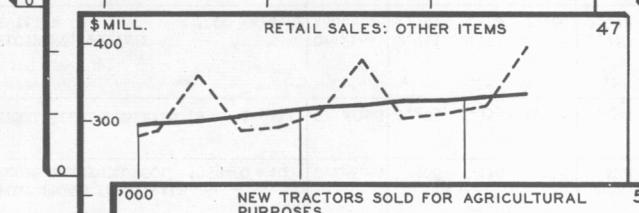
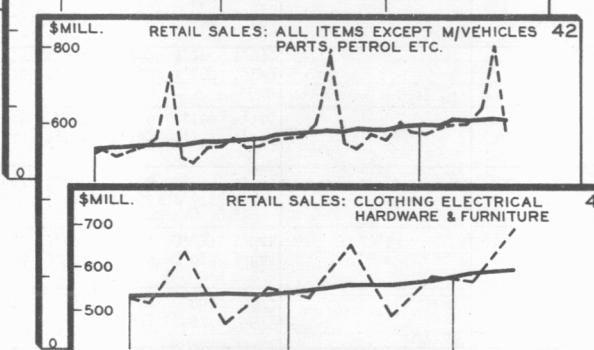
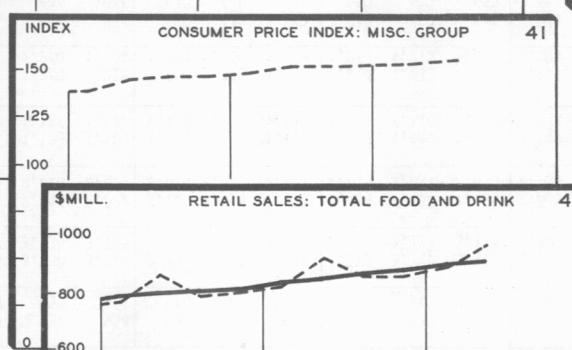
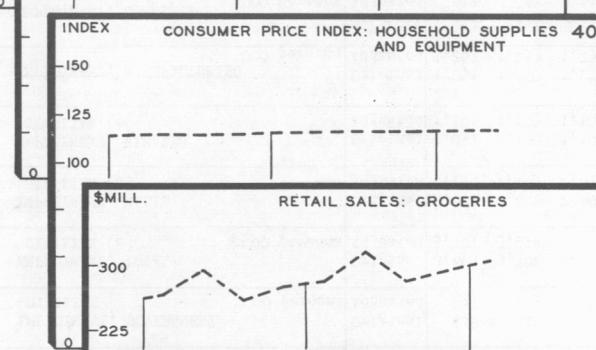
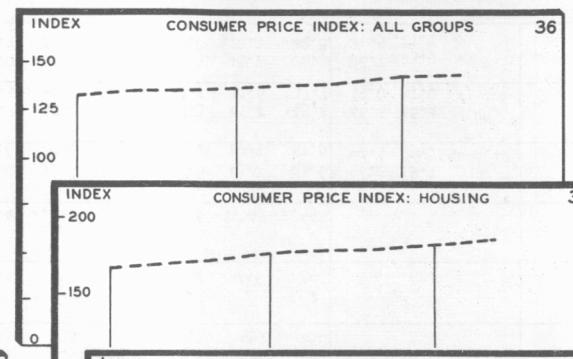
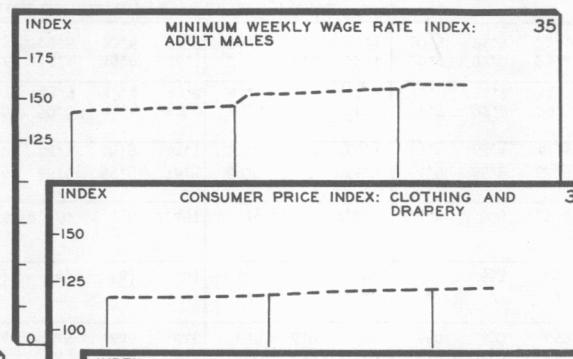
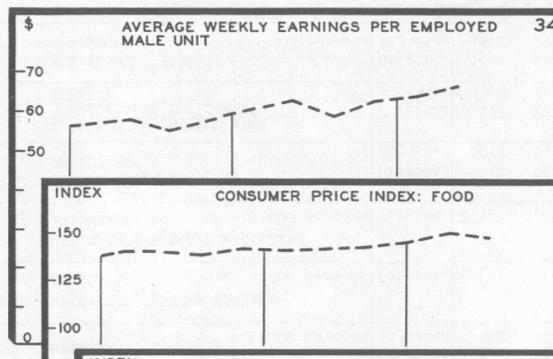
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OVERSEAS TRADE																														
16. TOTAL IMPORTS, VALUE	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	206 210	289 270	287 277	228 240	249 245	226 238	279 261	233 261	250 265	265 261	264 259	269 263	236 238	315 285	276 279	266 275	270 258	208 233	276 252	285 297								
17. TOTAL EXPORTS, VALUE	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	226 243	245 271	246 253	244 248	259 232	228 230	256 252	260 266	239 250	270 274	285 254	264 255	247 265	248 273	246 264	266 258	285 256	241 255	217 205	261 254								
18. EXPORTS, VALUE AT CONSTANT PRICES, INDEX		1959-60 = 100	Original	143			151			154			169																	
19. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS		1959-60 = 100	Original	110	110	107	104	104	104	103	105	103	103	104	103	*	*	*	*	101	98	99	*							
20. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS EXCLUDING WOOL		1959-60 = 100	Original	108	110	108	106	105	106	106	107	107	106	106	107	106	106	107	111	105	104	*								
21. INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (a)	\$ mill.	Original	1,379	1,359	1,286	1,290	1,277	1,248	1,236	1,215	1,175	1,158	1,197	1,198	1,157	1,151	1,143	1,170	1,146	1,092	1,131	1,102								
EMPLOYMENT (b)																														
22. EMPLOYMENT, PRIVATE CIVILIAN (c)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	2,751 2,761	2,753 2,764	2,758 2,768	2,767 2,772	2,788 2,779	2,788 2,785	2,782 2,788	2,800 2,791	2,805 2,791	2,805 2,805	2,808 2,809	2,806 2,809	2,804 2,814	2,812 2,823	2,822 2,832	2,836 2,842	2,861 2,852	2,862 2,859										
23. EMPLOYMENT, GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	948 947	949 949	948 952	948 955	950 956	954 961	956 960	967 961	967 961	968 963	970 965	970 966	971 969	972 972	972 976	973 980	977 983	979 985										
24. EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL CIVILIAN (c)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	3,699 3,707	3,702 3,714	3,706 3,720	3,715 3,727	3,738 3,735	3,742 3,745	3,739 3,747	3,767 3,752	3,772 3,752	3,773 3,760	3,778 3,771	3,775 3,775	3,775 3,783	3,783 3,795	3,794 3,808	3,809 3,822	3,838 3,835	3,841 3,844										
25. EMPLOYMENT, MALES CIVILIAN (c)	'000	Original Adjusted	2,603 2,606	2,602 2,609	2,601 2,611	2,604 2,616	2,616 2,620	2,622 2,625	2,622 2,624	2,634 2,623	2,633 2,621	2,633 2,624	2,638 2,631	2,635 2,633	2,635 2,639	2,640 2,647	2,646 2,656	2,654 2,666	2,671 2,675	2,676 2,679										
26. EMPLOYMENT, FEMALES CIVILIAN (c)	'000	Original Adjusted	1,097 1,101	1,100 1,105	1,105 1,108	1,111 1,112	1,123 1,116	1,120 1,120	1,116 1,123	1,133 1,129	1,139 1,130	1,139 1,137	1,140 1,140	1,140 1,143	1,140 1,144	1,143 1,149	1,148 1,152	1,155 1,156	1,167 1,160	1,166 1,165										
27. EMPLOYMENT, MANUFACTURING	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	1,251 1,253	1,250 1,253	1,250 1,254	1,255 1,257	1,260 1,260	1,255 1,262	1,260 1,264	1,273 1,265	1,277 1,266	1,274 1,269	1,273 1,272	1,271 1,272	1,271 1,274	1,272 1,275	1,277 1,282	1,282 1,285	1,290 1,290	1,283 1,290										
28. EMPLOYMENT, COMMERCE	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	636 642	636 643	639 644	643 645	656 646	661 646	650 648	649 649	647 649	649 650	650 650	649 652	647 653	649 656	651 656	656 657	668 659	673 658										
29. EMPLOYMENT, LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES	'000 persons	Original	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	†	656	664		
30. EMPLOYMENT, NON-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES (c)	'000 persons	Original	2,448	2,452	2,456	2,460	2,478	2,487	2,479	2,494	2,495	2,499	2,505	2,504	2,504	2,511	2,517	2,526	2,549	2,558										
31. PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT	'000	Original Adjusted	56.8 60.4	54.3 64.0	50.9 65.0	48.6 64.1	59.9 65.9	76.5 61.7	89.0 63.4	76.3 64.2	64.9 64.3	64.0 65.5	66.2 68.3	68.5 70.1	65.4 69.8	59.8 70.8	53.2 68.0	48.6 64.2	63.0 69.3	83.6 67.2	96.2 68.4	79.1 66.5								
32. VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE	'000	Original Adjusted	34.6 43.2	37.4 42.5	41.2 41.7	50.8 43.9	55.5 42.4	52.0 43.1	49.9 41.6	42.6 41.0	38.8 41.2	36.7 42.0	32.0 38.7	29.3 37.5	29.2 36.5	32.0 36.3	35.0 35.4	38.3 33.1	41.4 31.6	45.4 37.7	46.6 39.0	38.4 37.0								
33. UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, NUMBER ON (d)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	19.2 18.2	18.6 19.6	17.6 20.7	16.1 20.8	15.9 20.6	26.3 22.8	25.0 20.3	22.2 20.2	22.1 22.1	20.9 20.5	22.0 21.3	23.4 22.1	23.0 21.9	20.8 22.0	17.2 20.3	15.3 19.8	15.7 20.3	26.3 22.8	26.7 21.5	23.9 21.7								

(a) "Gold and Foreign Exchange held by Reserve Bank" was \$1,009 million on 14.2.68, \$996 m. on 13.3.68.

(b) Figures in items 22-30 refer only to employed wage and salary earners. Except for those in item 29, the figures are subject to revision. (c) Excludes employees in rural industry and in private domestic service. (d) Last Saturday of month. (e) Comparable statistics not available. * Preliminary. † Revised. † Reserves fell by \$24.8 m. between the last Wednesdays in October and November. This fall includes a loss of approx. \$113 m. resulting from the devaluation of United Kingdom and New Zealand currencies.

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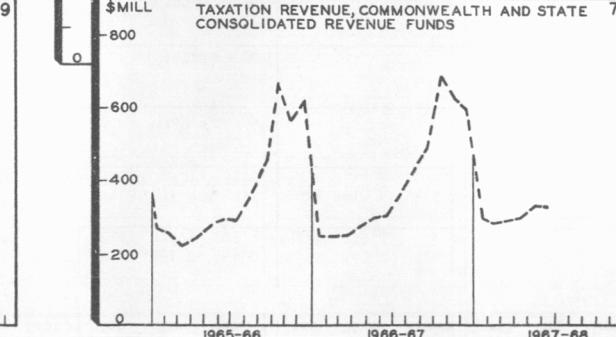
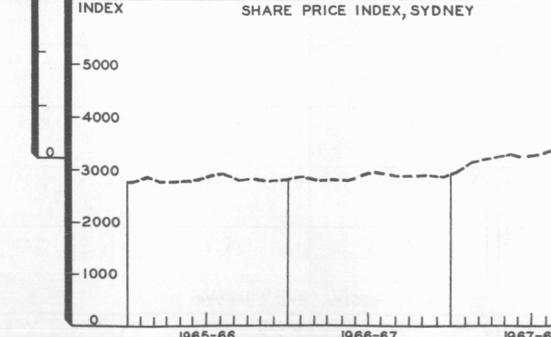
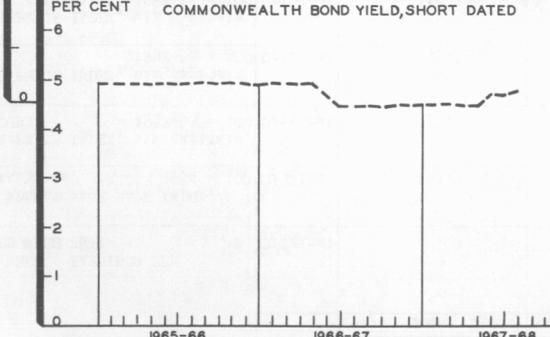
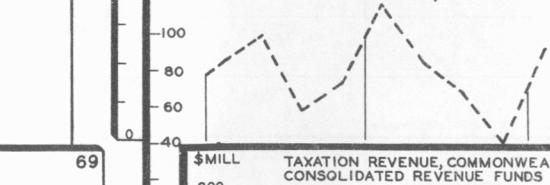
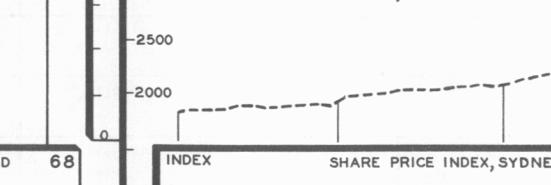
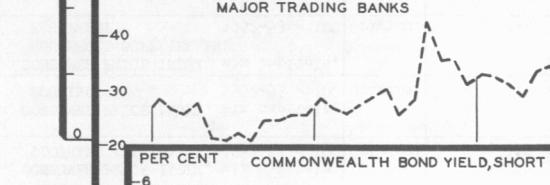
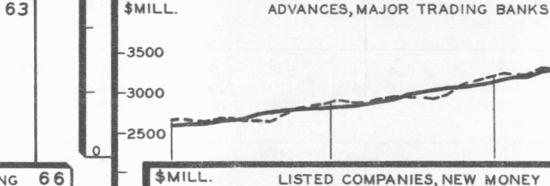
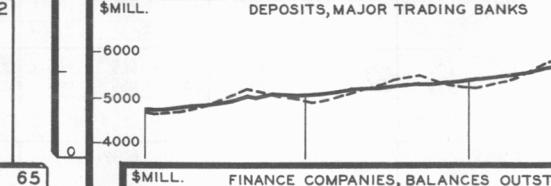
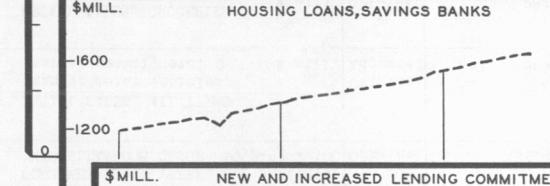
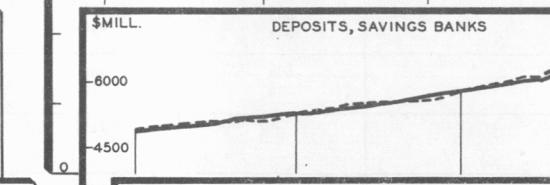
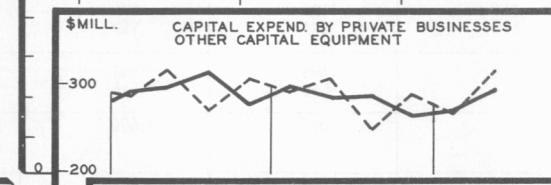
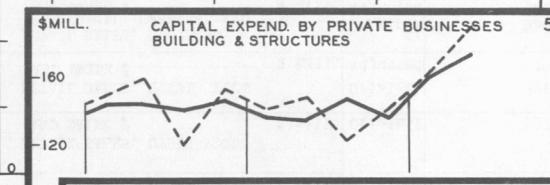
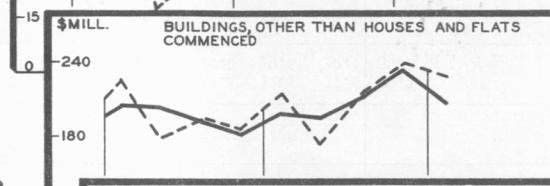
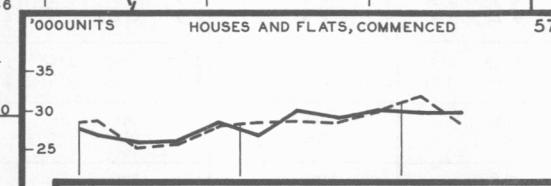
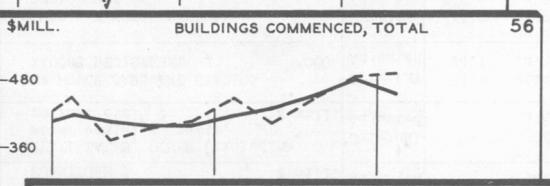
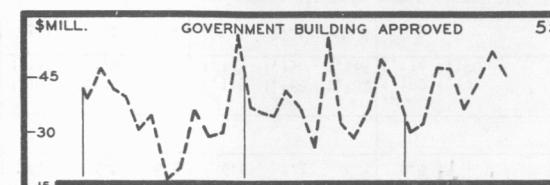
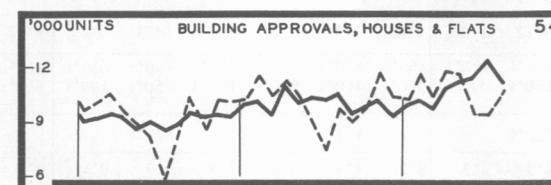
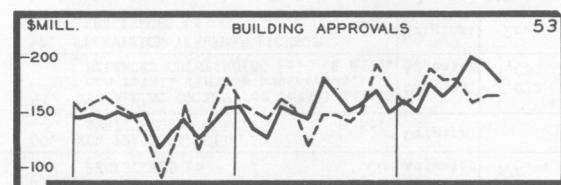
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WAGES, RETAIL PRICES																										
34. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT	\$	Original		60.00		62.30		58.30		62.40		63.40		66.10												
35. MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX, ADULT MALES (a) 1954 = 100		Original	151.7	151.9	152.1	152.2	152.3	152.4	154.3	154.5	154.8	155.1	155.1	155.3	158.9	158.9	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.0						
36. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, ALL GROUPS 1952-53 = 100		Original		137.1		138.4		138.9		140.6		142.5		142.9												
37. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals FOOD 1952-53 = 100		Original		139.7		140.7		141.6		144.2		148.3		147.0												
38. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals CLOTHING AND DRAPEY 1952-53 = 100		Original		118.2		119.3		119.7		120.8		121.2		122.0												
39. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSING 1952-53 = 100		Original		176.6		178.4		179.5		182.5		184.4		186.7												
40. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT 1952-53 = 100		Original		114.7		115.1		115.0		115.6		115.8		116.3												
41. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, MISCELLANEOUS GROUP 1952-53 = 100		Original		146.9		148.9		149.3		150.4		151.5		153.1												
INTERNAL TRADE																										
42. RETAIL SALES, ALL ITEMS except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. Ø	\$ mill.	Original	540	554	562	564	598	782	542	528	572	556	606	574	570	593	600	600	641	806	579					
		Adjusted	563	566	572	574	575	584	583	590	589	587	591	597	603	599	615	608	616	617	610					
43. RETAIL SALES, GROCERIES Ø	\$ mill.	Original		284		314		283		292		306														
44. RETAIL SALES, OTHER FOOD AND DRINK Ø	\$ mill.	Original		537		599		570		560		571														
45. RETAIL SALES, TOTAL FOOD AND DRINK Ø	\$ mill.	Original	821		913		852		852		877		962													
		Adjusted	836		855		867		878		898		907													
46. RETAIL SALES, CLOTHING, ELECTRICAL, HARDWARE AND FURNITURE Ø	\$ mill.	Original	530		653		485		577		566		690													
		Adjusted	547		562		561		572		587		597													
47. RETAIL SALES, OTHER (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.) Ø	\$ mill.	Original	306		378		304		307		319		396													
		Adjusted	318		320		328		328		333		337													
48. NEW MOTOR CARS AND STATION WAGONS REGISTERED Ø	'000	Original	24.9	26.4	25.7	25.6	28.3	27.4	22.2	23.4	27.7	26.0	29.1	27.5	27.3	30.2	28.6	31.4	32.5	29.6	25.7					
		Adjusted	24.7	24.5	24.7	25.2	26.5	26.7	27.1	26.0	26.9	26.8	27.3	28.0	27.3	27.6	28.6	30.0	30.6	30.1	30.0					
49. OTHER NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED (b) Ø	'000	Original	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.9	7.3	6.3	4.9	5.4	6.6	6.6	7.6	6.8	6.8	7.0	6.3	6.9	7.1	5.6	5.4					
		Adjusted	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.4	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.5	6.7	6.2	6.6	6.3	6.1	6.8					
50. NEW TRACTORS SOLD FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES	No.	Original		3,074		4,785		4,754		5,259																
51. INSTALMENT CREDIT for retail sales, non-retail finance businesses, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (c) \$ mill.		Original	1,072	1,072	1,075	1,081	1,093	1,104	1,104	1,091	1,086	1,090	1,097	1,102	1,107	1,119	1,130	1,147	1,168	1,182	1,192	1,192	1,176	1,190		
		Adjusted	1,082	1,079	1,077	1,079	1,083	1,087	1,089	1,089	1,092	1,096	1,102	1,144	1,117	1,126	1,132	1,145	1,158	1,164						
52. TELEVISION VIEWERS' LICENCES, NEW ISSUES (d) Ø	'000	Original	26.5	26.8	22.4	22.9	18.8	14.8	16.0	26.9	28.3	20.1	23.6	23.7	23.3	25.4	21.4	21.5	20.1	17.6	16.5					

(a) Weighted average. Excludes rural. (b) Other new vehicles includes utilities, vans, trucks, etc. (c) At end of month. Amounts financed in new agreements made were: June, 1967 \$62.3 m.; July \$60.1 m.; Aug. \$68.9 m.; Sept. \$64.5 m.; Oct. \$73.0 m.; Nov. \$76.7 m.; Dec. \$68.5 m.; Jan. \$65.7 m.

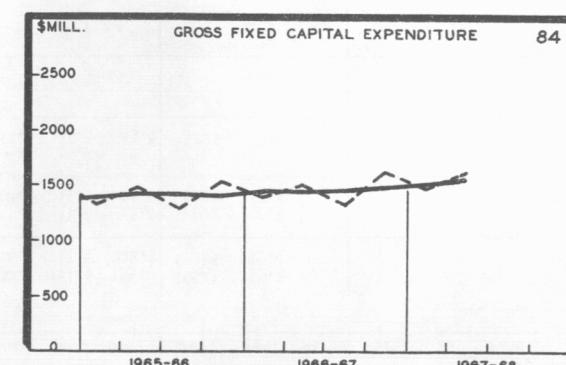
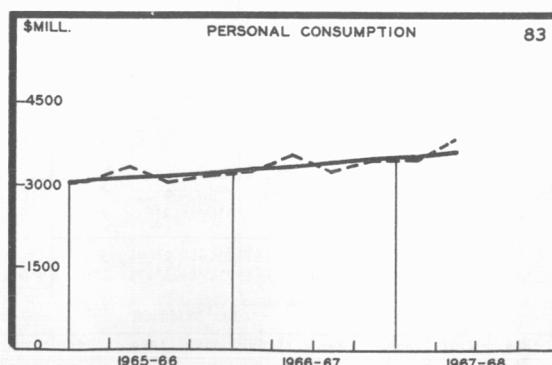
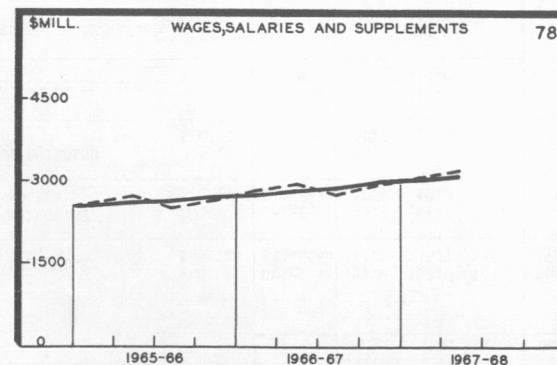
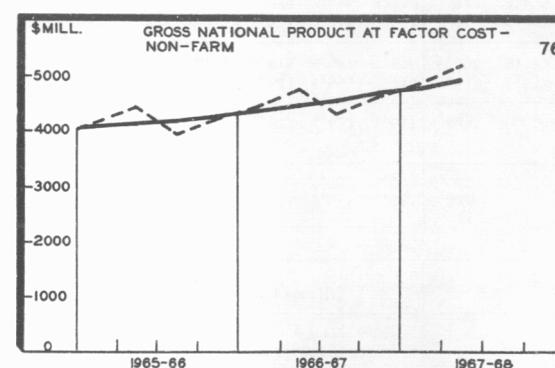
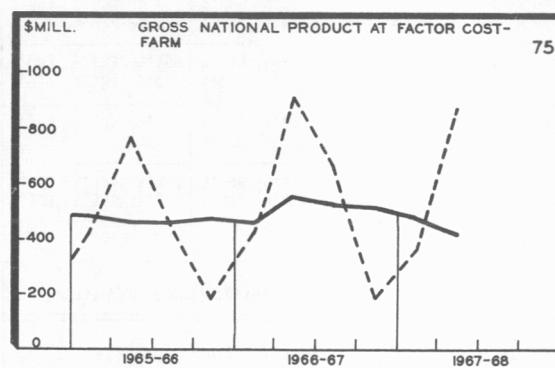
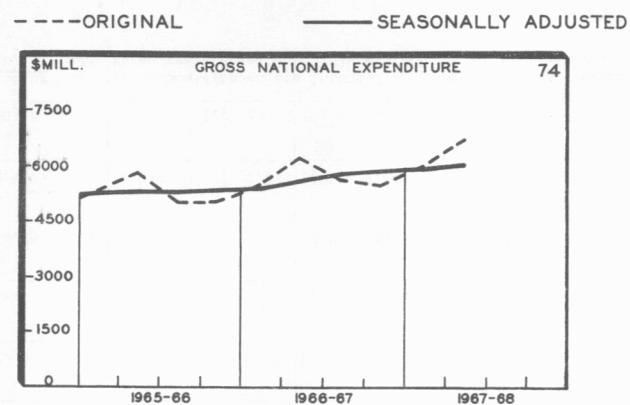
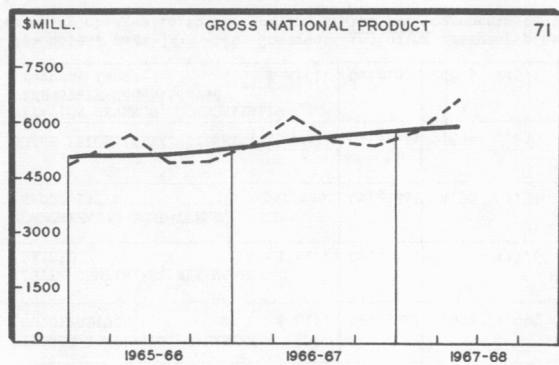
(d) Includes new issues of television viewers' licences and new issues of combined television viewers' and broadcast listeners' licences. Ø Items 42-7 exclude Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. * Preliminary. + Revised.

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		July Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.						Jan. Feb. March April May June						July Aug. Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.						Jan. Feb. March April May June									
		BUILDING, ETC.																											
53. BUILDING APPROVALS	\$ mill.	Original	157.2	152.6	144.5	162.9	155.0	119.6	149.8	147.7	142.4	153.6	195.5	176.6	158.3	168.1	190.7	180.4	181.6	159.0	165.1	165.2							
		Adjusted	161.1	136.7	128.6	157.8	151.0	145.1	184.5	168.6	151.1	157.4	173.6	150.2	162.2	150.6	178.3	166.6	177.5	202.3	193.5	179.4							
54. BUILDING APPROVALS, HOUSES AND FLATS	'000 units	Original	10.3	11.6	10.4	11.3	10.4	8.9	7.4	9.8	9.0	9.8	11.8	10.3	10.2	11.7	10.4	11.8	11.6	9.4	9.4	10.8							
		Adjusted	10.1	10.2	9.4	11.1	10.0	10.4	10.3	10.6	9.4	9.9	10.3	9.4	10.1	10.3	9.8	10.9	11.3	11.5	12.5	11.2							
55. GOVERNMENT BUILDING APPROVED	\$ mill.	Original	36.4	35.0	34.6	41.8	36.4	25.3	57.2	32.6	28.5	36.7	50.7	44.6	29.8	32.5	48.1	47.7	36.5	43.8	52.1	43.0							
56. BUILDINGS COMMENCED, TOTAL	\$ mill.	Original	447.6			401.1			447.6			484.3			494.2														
		Adjusted	414.8			435.5			451.7			480.5			457.1														
57. HOUSES AND FLATS COMMENCED	'000 units	Original	28.5			28.7			28.3			29.6			31.5			28.2											
		Adjusted	26.7			29.8			29.0			29.7			29.4			29.4											
58. BUILDINGS, OTHER THAN HOUSES AND FLATS, COMMENCED	\$ mill.	Original	214.4			168.9			216.7			237.0			226.7														
		Adjusted	196.3			193.9			211.8			234.4			207.0														
59. NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Buildings and structures (a)	\$ mill.	Original	141.3	(293.6 anticipated)	148.4			122.0	(285.0 anticipated)	142.5		164.7	(335.9 anticipated)	191.0															
		Adjusted	137.2		135.7			147.2		136.2		159.9		174.6															
60. NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Other capital equipment (a)	\$ mill.	Original	291.1	(539.2 anticipated)	303.1			245.8	(527.5 anticipated)	288.5		266.6	(595.6 anticipated)	315.6															
		Adjusted	295.8		284.3			286.5		264.5		270.7		296.1															
FINANCE																													
61. DEPOSITS, SAVINGS BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	5,308	5,356	5,391	5,449	5,474	5,471	5,512	5,544	5,551	5,558	5,623	5,765	5,821	5,890	5,952	6,001	6,031	6,021	6,046								
		Adjusted	5,294	5,324	5,357	5,398	5,429	5,455	5,507	5,543	5,587	5,646	5,705	5,765	5,803	5,855	5,917	5,948	5,983	6,003	6,040								
62. HOUSING LOANS, SAVINGS BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	1,369	1,385	1,399	1,409	1,423	1,444	1,448	1,458	1,477	1,488	1,504	1,549	1,559	1,574	1,590	1,602	1,620	1,637	1,643								
63. DEPOSITS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	4,939	4,984	5,029	5,125	5,218	5,298	5,383	5,489	5,516	5,373	5,310	5,265	5,259	5,298	5,342	5,447	5,593	5,717	5,819	5,816							
		Adjusted	5,083	5,133	5,159	5,193	5,213	5,228	5,267	5,308	5,336	5,294	5,350	5,350	5,416	5,457	5,479	5,518	5,587	5,638	5,694	5,625							
64. ADVANCES, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	2,901	2,866	2,866	2,915	2,931	2,952	2,934	2,912	2,962	3,086	3,137	3,181	3,244	3,229	3,229	3,311	3,312	3,307	3,267	3,288							
		Adjusted	2,823	2,824	2,856	2,885	2,917	2,977	3,005	3,034	3,048	3,070	3,090	3,119	3,156	3,181	3,219	3,275	3,296	3,337	3,347	3,425							
65. NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	28.6	26.8	25.8	27.4	29.0	30.5	25.7	28.4	42.6	35.2	35.9	31.1	33.0	32.6	30.7	28.5	33.5	34.5	29.7	29.7							
66. FINANCE COMPANIES, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (b)	\$ mill.	Original	1,992	1,995	2,005	2,021	2,048	2,064	2,062	2,065	2,080	2,078	2,098	2,088	2,107	2,142	2,176	2,192	2,246	2,259	2,277								
67. LISTED COMPANIES, NEW MONEY RAISED	\$ mill.	Original	117.6			84.2			67.1			40.3			92.4														
68. COMMONWEALTH BOND YIELD, SHORT DATED	per cent	Original	4.98	4.97	4.96	4.97	4.75	4.53	4.50	4.51	4.50	4.52	4.51	4.52	4.53	4.53	4.51	4.51	4.75	4.71	4.80								
69. SHARE PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY (c)		Original	2,859	2,838	2,781	2,800	2,780	2,838	2,939	2,907	2,840	2,855	2,860	2,835	2,972	3,132	3,184	3,236	3,330	3,270	3,316	3,423							
70. TAXATION REVENUE, COMMONWEALTH AND STATE Consolidated revenue funds	\$ mill.	Original	248.9	249.1	252.3	271.5	303.8	307.7	362.0	436.2	490.8	686.2	628.1	597.2	292.9	283.0	287.8	302.8	335.0	326.8									

(a) See notes, page 14. (b) Contracts including charges, plus contracts excluding charges. Amounts shown are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding; however, movements may be affected by changes in the proportion of the two components to the total. (c) Average, three years ended June 1939 = 1,000. * Preliminary. [†] Revised.



		1966-67				1967-68			
		Sept Qtr	Dec Qtr	March Qtr	June Qtr	Sept Qtr	Dec Qtr	March Qtr	June Qtr
NATIONAL ACCOUNTS									
71. GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT	\$ mill.	Original	5,470	6,285	5,609	5,464	5,844	6,733	
72. plus IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Original	899	868	951	972	1,008	967	
73. less EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Original	822	835	883	935	855	915	
74. GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE	\$ mill.	Original	5,547	6,318	5,677	5,501	5,997	6,785	
GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT AT FACTOR COST -									
75. FARM	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	431 462	921 560	660 539	194 535	374 489	880 422	
76. NON-FARM	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	4,477 4,400	4,784 4,518	4,334 4,601	4,635 4,734	4,864 4,787	5,215 4,932	
77. TOTAL	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	4,908 4,862	5,705 5,078	4,994 5,140	4,829 5,269	5,238 5,276	6,095 5,354	
78. WAGES, SALARIES AND SUPPLEMENTS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	2,816 2,793	2,967 2,846	2,770 2,883	2,956 2,997	3,032 3,017	3,214 3,092	
79. INCOME OF FARM UNINCORPORATED ENTERPRISES	\$ mill.	Original	212	677	444	-5	144	623	
80. OTHER PERSONAL INCOME	\$ mill.	Original	1,056	1,211	1,068	1,272	1,141	1,270	
81. less INCOME TAX PAYABLE and estate and gift duties	\$ mill.	Original	463	577	491	491	520	636	
82. PERSONAL DISPOSABLE INCOME	\$ mill.	Original	3,621	4,278	3,791	3,732	3,797	4,471	
83. PERSONAL CONSUMPTION	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	3,248 3,281	3,561 3,347	3,252 3,412	3,443 3,464	3,495 3,536	3,833 3,610	
84. GROSS FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	1,396 1,451	1,495 1,443	1,313 1,444	1,624 1,483	1,463 1,518	1,617 1,563	

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1.	16,21		
2.	Total generated, including electricity not for sale ..	21		
3.	Includes gas produced in gas works and gas purchased from oil refineries.			
	Does not include natural gas ..	21		
4.	Includes recovery from scrap. Annual figures year ended May.	21		
5.	Portland cement. ..	21,22		
6.	Includes finished and partly finished motor vehicles. ..	21,26		
7.	Includes those made and incorporated by manufacturers in their own products. ..	21,24		
8.	Includes mixtures predominantly of cotton. ..	21,23		
9.	Includes mixtures predominantly of wool ..	21,27		
10.	Includes sandals and moulded plastic footwear but not slippers, sandshoes, goloshes or rubber gum boots. ..	21,25		
11.	In terms of fresh meat (carcass weight). Total production including estimates for meat produced from animals slaughtered on farms.	15		
12.	10		
13.	Source: National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. Bales received into selling brokers' stores for disposal, excluding quantities received for re-sale. ..	-		
14.	The value of wool sold at auction and privately by wool selling brokers, including wool carried over and sold and also wool resold. ..	-		
15.	Average price which a N.S.W. clip of constant average quality would realise if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in N.S.W. They are not therefore average auction prices for the year. ..	18		
16-17.	Total recorded overseas trade. See preface and explanatory notes, Monthly Bulletin of Overseas Trade Statistics. ..	20		
18.	Calculated by revaluing quantities at average unit values for 1955-56. ..	1		
19-20.	12		
21.	Net Gold and Foreign Exchange Holdings (Official and Banking Institutions). Source : Reserve Bank of Australia. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month.			
22,24-6.	Excludes permanent defence forces in Australia or overseas. Based on returns of Government employment, Pay-roll Tax returns and other direct collections. -			
23.	Includes all government employees in Australia (Commonwealth, States, Local and Semi-Governmental) employed on services such as railways, post office, etc., as well as administrative employees. ..	11		
27.	Includes employees directly engaged in manufacturing activity and selling and distribution staff 1953-54 to 1965-66.	11		
29.	Survey conducted jointly with Department of Labour and National Service	11		
30.	See 22 above	11		
31,32.	Source : Department of Labour and National Service, Registrations with Commonwealth Employment service.			
33.	Excludes persons receiving sickness or special benefits and persons receiving the special benefits paid to migrants in reception and training centres. ..	11		
34.	Male units represent total male employment and a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. ..	34		
35.	Based on averages of minimum wage rates for a full week's work (excluding overtime) obtained from awards, determinations and industrial agreements. The base of each index number is the weighted average minimum weekly wage for Australia. ..	34		
36-41.	Consumer price index : New index first published 12 August 1960. For particulars of composition and weighting see Labour Report No. 51, 1964. ..	9		
42-7.	Figures relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from service repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards. Excludes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. ..	30		
		48,49.	Registrations recorded by the registration authorities. Includes all government owned vehicles other than Defence Services. ..	28,29
		50.	Excludes wheel tractors of 15 horsepower or less before July 1967 and crawler tractors of 3,000 pounds weight or less e.g. small garden tractors. ..	33
		51.	Figures relate to balances outstanding (including hiring charges and insurance) at end of period in respect of retail sales made by finance businesses which are not themselves retailers. Amounts financed - new agreements made exclude hiring charges, insurance and retailers' subsidiaries ..	13,14
		52.	Includes new issues of television viewers' licences and new issues of combined television viewers' and broadcast listeners' licences. ..	17
		53,54.	Building permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities. Number of houses and flats relate to individual living units. ..	4
		55.	Contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities for their own use, the use of their employees, rental or sale. ..	4
		56.	Estimated value of buildings on completion, excluding land. ..	5
		57.	Excludes conversions to flats.	5,6
		58.	See 56 above.	5
		59,60.	Statistics are from returns showing actual expenditure for each quarter and anticipated expenditure for next half-year, obtained from private businesses subject to Pay-roll Tax (other than rural, professional, gas and electricity), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses undertaking projects of more than \$500,000 in any half year. Figures with slightly different coverage are available for years 1953-54 to 1956-57 inclusive. ..	7
		61.	Deposits at end of period - all savings banks ..	31,32
		62.	Housing loans outstanding at end of period, all savings banks. ..	31,32
		63,64.	Monthly averages of weekly figures of the major trading banks, (the Commonwealth Trading Bank and the seven private trading banks). ..	2,3
		65.	For annual figures, average for 52 weeks ending second Wednesday in July; for monthly figures, weekly average for period ending second Wednesday of month. The series comprises new and increased lending commitments for both overdrafts and term loans entered into by major trading banks (commitments in respect of temporary loans to woolbuyers are excluded). Source: Reserve Bank of Australia. -	
		66.	At end of period. Covers main types of lending by finance companies in Australia, comprising instalment credit for retail sales, wholesale hire purchase, other consumer and commercial loans and factoring. In so far as they provide instalment credit for retail sales the Finance Companies are also included in 51, Instalment Credit for Retail Sales. Includes leased. ..	13
		67.	Companies listed on Australian stock exchanges. New Money Raised is the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to the issuing companies through the issues of shares, debentures, notes and similar securities and the acceptance of deposits. The investing public includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and government and private superannuation funds, but excludes other government agencies.	8
		68.	Theoretical 2 year securities. Average for the week is centred on the last Wednesday of the month. Income subject to Commonwealth taxation less rebate of 10 cents per dollar. Source: Reserve Bank of Australia. ..	17
		69.	Average of monthly prices per \$2 of paid-up capital, 75 companies, adjusted for changes in capital structure. As published by Deputy Commonwealth Statistician, Sydney.	17,18
		70.	Excludes taxation collections paid direct to Trust Funds, e.g. Motor Taxes. ..	-
		71-7.	For references to concepts see "Australian National Accounts, National Income and Expenditure", published April, 1967. ..	19

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